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SUBJ: SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS FOR RESIDENCE PROPERTY #02476

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1. POST APPRECIATES APPROVAL IN PRINCIPLE AND HOPES DATA FROM THIS TELEGRAM WILL ALLOW FOR FUNDING.

2. ALL SECURITY EFFORTS ARE AIMED AT SECOND FLOOR. ACCESS TO SECOND FLOOR IS BY EITHER MAIN STAIRCASE OR SERVANT'S ENTRANCE. SECURING OF THESE TWO ACCESS POINTS IS PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

A. AT TOP OF MAIN STAIRCASE SLIDING STEEL, ACCORDIAN TYPE, GATE WILL BE PLACED IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO NOT INTERFERE WITH BUILDING AESTHETICS AND YET GIVE COMPLETE CONTROL WHEN CLOSED. GATE WILL BE CONSTRUCTED WITH 3/8 INCH STEEL BARS. COST OF THIS ACCORDIAN TYPE SECURITY GATE IS \$685.00.

B. ACCESS FROM SERVANT'S STAIRCASE WILL BE CONTROLLED BY GRILL DOOR CONSTRUCTED WITH 3I INCH STEEL BARS. COST OF THIS WILL BE \$575.00

3. ROPE LADDER SIMILAR TO THOSE APPROVED AND INSTALLED BY RSO AT CHANCERY, WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR AMBASSADOR AND
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FAMILY FOR ALTERNATE ESCAPE ROUTE FROM SECOND FLOOR. ROPE LADDER WILL BE PORTABLE. AT THREE POINTS IN RESIDENCE ON

SECOND FLOOR (MASTER BEDROOM, REAR VERANDA, BATHROOM)
ANCHOR BOLTS WILL BE PLACED SO THAT SHOULD ANY ESCAPE ROUTE
BE IN DANGER AMBASSADOR WILL HAVE ALTERNATE MEANS OF ESCAPE.
COST OF ROPE LADDER IS \$50.00

4. IN ORDER TO HAVE ALTERNATE MEANS OF LEAVING RESIDENCE
GROUNDS, RSO PROPOSED AND AMBASSADOR CONCURRED (REF. A)
THAT PERMANENT LADDER LEADING TO TOP OF SMALL CONCRETE
TOOL SHED LOCATED IN REAR OF GROUNDS, ADJACENT TO SECURITY
WALL, BE INSTALLED. COST OF THIS LADDER IS \$165. IN ORDER
TO COMPLETE ALTERNATE METHOD OF ESCAPE, POST WILL HAVE
EXTENSION TYPE LADDER AVAILABLE TO ALLOW AMBASSADOR AND
FAMILY TO SAFELY REACH ADJACENT PROPERTIES WHICH IS DIVIDED
BY PRESENT 12 FOOT PERIMETER/SECURITY WALLS. COST OF
EXTENSION LADDER IS \$75.00.

5. RSO AND AMBASSADOR ANXIOUS TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT AND
HOPE THAT BUREAU/FBO WILL APPROVE \$1,550 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

6. PLEASE ADVISE.
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